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Examiner: Hoang M. Nguyen
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REMARKS

This amendment and Request for Continued Examination is in response to the Final Action mailed May 30, 2008 and the Advisory Action mailed August 13, 2008. Claims 1-11 were rejected. The claims have been amended to address the concerns raised by the Examiner. Claims 12 and 13 have been added. Support for the amendments and new claims is found in the specification and original claims. No new matter has been added.

Claim Amendments

Independent claims 1 and 11 have been amended to clarify that the steam cycle of the present invention is operating with a high-energy state temperature in the range of 550 °C. None of the prior art of record teaches a steam cycle with an operating medium that is operable in a high-energy state temperature in this temperature range.

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In light of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-13 are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant requests that the rejections be withdrawn, and that the claims be allowed and passed to issue. If any impediment to the allowance of these claims remains after entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is strongly encouraged to call Robert L. Lundstrom or Robert R. Mallinckrodt at (801) 566-6633 so that such matters may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

Two claims were added (claims 12-13). No additional claim fee is due.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the RCE fee and any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 20-0100.

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